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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Elwanda Marie Ebel; and

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WHEREAS, Elwanda Ebel was born on February 11, 1922 in Locke, Arkansas; her parents were Carl and Ethal Pilcher; she married Albert Ebel II on August 29, 1942; and

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WHEREAS, Elwanda Ebel was not only her husband's helpmate on the farm for many years, she was very active in her church, community, and children's activities; she was a longtime member of the Marengo Grange, where she served as lecturer before moving and joining the Riley Grange; she held county and State offices, attended State Grange as a delegate, and served as Master's Wife at the county level; she never missed helping out at the turkey dinners, bake sales, and the county fair food tent; she and her family installed officers for the Granges around the state line for many years; she also worked at Wisted's Deli in Marengo and shared her wonderful recipes for potato salad and baked beans; and

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WHEREAS, Elwanda Ebel was a wonderful cook and was able to bless people with her skills of cooking; she won many blue ribbons for her pies, breads, crocheted afghans, and sewing; and

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1 WHEREAS, Elwanda Ebel served as a deaconess and on many
2 boards at the First Baptist Church of Marengo; she was the
3 "Egg-Fryer Queen" of the May Breakfast for many years; she was
4 in charge of the Wednesday Night Family Dinner and never failed
5 to produce a wonderful home-cooked meal for the crowd; she was
6 a gifted cake decorator and made many brides and anniversary
7 couples happy; she was also a "Tops" member for many years and
8 became a "Kops" for 19 years; and

9 WHEREAS, Elwanda Ebel was preceded in death by her husband
10 of 71 years, Albert, and her brothers, James, Robert, and Kurt
11 Perryman; and

12 WHEREAS, Elwanda Ebel is survived by her son, Albert (Linda
13 Kay) Ebel III; her daughters, Dorene (Milan) Reimer and Carla
14 (Richard) Walter; 10 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren;
15 her sister, Winnie Evelyn Sullivan; her brother, Ralph
16 Perryman; and many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with her
19 family and friends, mourn the passing of Elwanda Marie Ebel;
20 and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Elwanda Ebel as an expression of our
2 sympathy.